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APPLICANTS: Mitchell et al. JUL 25 2002  
SERIAL NO.: 10/004,199 GROUP NO.: 2152 Technology Center 2100  
FILING DATE: November 2, 2001 EXAMINER: Not yet assigned  
TITLE: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR EFFICIENTLY  
TRANSMITTING INTERACTIVE APPLICATION DATA  
BETWEEN A CLIENT AND SERVER USING MARKUP  
LANGUAGE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment before examining the above-referenced patent application. Applicants believe that no fees are due but, in the event any additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

**AMENDMENTS**

Prior to further examination, please enter the following amendments. Per Rule 1.121 these amendments are presented below with all changes included. Another version of the amended material is attached on one or more pages separate from the amendment, marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of the material.

*In the Specification:*

As instructed in the transmittal papers of November 2, 2001 and acknowledged by the Office in the filing receipt for this case, please amend the specification by inserting on page 1, before the first line, the sentence: "This is a continuation of prior application Serial No.